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INTENT TO NOMINATE JAMIE S. GORELICK AS DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL ANNOUNCED

Today Attorney General Reno announced that President Clinton intends to nominate the Department of Defense General Counsel Jamie S. Gorelick to be Deputy Attorney General. Ms. Gorelick assumed the position of General Counsel on 13 May 1993.

Secretary Perry issued the following statement:

"On behalf of the women and men of our Armed Forces and the civilian leadership and employees of the Department, I offer our heartiest congratulations to Ms. Gorelick on her nomination. We know that the Office of Deputy Attorney General is a high honor as well as a heavy responsibility. We are proud of Ms. Gorelick's accomplishment and wish her well in her post.

"As both Deputy Secretary and now Secretary, I have relied on her to help resolve the most complex and difficult issues. Her oversight and management of our legal resources ensured that the department and its components received the finest legal services. I am confident that the Attorney General will likewise enjoy the very same high quality performance from this remarkably talented attorney. We are pleased that Ms. Gorelick will continue to serve the administration and the American people in her new and important role. We will certainly miss her."

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